
CARMEL OBSERVER



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Crime Watch Coordinators and Block Captains:

We would like to remind you of the upcoming annual crime watch meeting on Wednesday, February 22, 2006 at the police department. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 7:00 p.m. Please plan on attending this important meeting. If you have any questions, please contact Ann Gallagher at 571-2720.

Fraud Scam---Secret Shopper

Major Carey from the Criminal Investigations Division received the following alert from the Palm Beach Sheriff's Office.

An AmSouth customer responded to a Secret Shopper ad in a local newspaper. She was sent a letter signed by John Roberts, explaining her assignment along with a Treasurers Check drawn on the Digital Federal Credit Union account in the amount of \$2880.00, which she cashed against her account. The customer was instructed to go to Wal Mart and send a money gram in the amount of \$2880.00 to Harry Holmes, Victoria BC, Canada. She was to complete an enclosed evaluation of the transaction and send it back to the company. The customer complied with the instructions by sending the money. The item was returned as fraudulent.

Anytime you are asked to send money this should be a red flag that this is a potential scam. If you have concerns about a possible scam, please contact the Carmel Police Department.

Severe Weather Driving Tips

The following information is provided by State Farm Agency

When it rains

- The road becomes slippery as water mixes with road oils, grease and dirt. Also, your

car's tires tend to ride on the surface water, reducing traction. Slow down.

- Visibility is often impaired. Turn on your lights. Use the defroster or air conditioner to keep windows and mirrors clear.

When it's foggy

- Stay to the right of the roadway.
- Turn on your headlights ---day or night---to low beam.
- If you can't see the road's edge, pull off on the right---well out of the traffic lane---and turn on the emergency flashers.

Indiana Road Conditions:

Call: 232-8298 (December 1st through April 1st)

Outside Indianapolis: 1-800-261-7623

Reminder

Please call if you or anyone within your Crime Watch area would have information pertaining to the listed crimes on the criminal activity report. We will pass this information on to the appropriate investigator.

Be Alert

Remember to call and report any suspicious activity. Non-emergency line 571-2580, Emergency Dial 911. We appreciate all the help you can give.

*Questions, Comments or Concerns,
Please give us a call.*

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